STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF FULTON CITY OF SOUTH FULTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-007

RESOLUTION TO DEVELOP A PARK, RECREATION, TRAIL AND OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH FULTON

(Sponsored by Councilmembers Rowell and Gilyard)

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of South Fulton has identified an investment in parks, recreation and open space as a strategic priority because of the intrinsic environmental, aesthetic, and recreation benefits that will be derived for the city and its citizens;

WHEREAS, investments in park, recreation and open space are a source of positive economic development which include business attraction, enhanced property values, increased municipal revenue and meets the recreational needs of citizens and;

WHEREAS, the City Council supports commissioning a master plan that includes an organizational, operational, maintenance, financial, service and program analysis, needs assessment, demographic trends, and recommendations and strategies for improvement and implementation.

WHEREAS, Engaging the community is a key element of the plan. They will assist with designing local standards to prioritize park, recreation, trail and open space needs citywide and;

WHEREAS, the Park, Recreation Trail and Open Space Master Plan will provide a comprehensive vision for parkland, recreation opportunities, trails and open space, enhance natural resources, and provide appropriate levels of recreation in the city for all residents and;

WHEREAS, the Park, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan shall provide for priorities, strategies, and recommendations to guide the management and design of the park, recreation, trail and open space system through 2035;

WHEREAS, the adoption of a Park, Recreation, Trail and Open Space Master Plan is vital to the City's ability to compete for grants and contracts funding for capital improvements, renovations, and maintenance of the City's park system, and the plan shall be presented by the Director of Parks and Recreation to the City Council.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS NOW RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. **Recitals**. The aforesaid recitals are not mere recitals, but are material portions of this resolution.
- 2. **Approval of Execution**. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign all documents necessary to effectuate this Resolution including, but not limited to, the Master Plan. The City Clerk is authorized to execute, attest to, and seal any document that may be necessary to effectuate this Resolution including, but not limited to, the Master Plan, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.
- 3. **Severability**. To the extent, any portion of this Resolution is declared invalid, unenforceable or non-binding, that shall not affect the remaining portions of this Resolution.
- 4. **Repeal of Conflicting Provisions**, All City resolutions ae hereby repealed to the extent they are inconsistent with this Resolution.

5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing RESOLUTION No. **2018-007**, was adopted on **February 27, 2018**, was offered by Councilmember **Rowell**, who moved its approval. The motion was seconded by Councilmember **khalid** and being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

William "Bill" Edwards, Mayor Mark Baker, Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Foster Rowell, Mayor Pro Tem Carmalitha Lizandra Gumbs Helen Zenobia Willis Gertrude Naeema Gilyard Rosie Jackson khalid kamau	√ √ √ √ Vot Present √ √	

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this **27**th day of **February 2018**. **CITY OF SOUTH FULTON**, **GEORGIA**.

WILLIAM "BILL" EDWARDS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MARK MASSEY, CITY CLERK

Item#: Res2018-007 Date: 02 / 27 / 2018

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

EMILIA C. WALKER, CITY ATTORNEY